

# Exhibit 4

Friday, June 7, 2024 at 20:59:41 Eastern Daylight Time

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**Subject:** Re: Jonathan R. Meet and Confer  
**Date:** Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 4:14:08 PM Eastern Daylight Time  
**From:** Julia Tebor  
**To:** Philip Peisch, Julia Siegenberg, Marcia Lowry, Alex Meade, Lindsay Gus, Rich Walters, John Mazezka, Laura Welikson  
**CC:** Steven R. Compton, Trevor Rhodes, Rebecca Wolfe  
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Phil,

We have considered your proposal below. Plaintiffs will agree that Defendants foregoing moving for a protective order to clawback D001073022 does not constitute a waiver of A/C privilege, attorney work product, or deliberative process privilege with respect to other documents and information.

Plaintiffs, however, continue to believe that the deliberative process privilege is inapplicable in this action. And as Defendants are aware, Plaintiffs were prevented from seeking certain discovery during Jeremiah Samples' deposition on the basis of deliberative process privilege. Plaintiffs plan to move to compel Defendants to allow this discovery as well as to produce any documents they may be withholding on these grounds. While Plaintiffs are still waiting for Defendants' privilege log on this issue, given the Court-ordered schedule and the timing for the end of fact discovery, the parties must have a resolution of this issue quickly.

We understand that Defendants will object to this motion.

Thank you,

**Julia Tebor**

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Ok, thanks, sounds good.

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Phil,

We are considering your proposal below. We can hold off on the call in the meantime and reschedule if necessary.

Thanks,

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Counsel – Will Plaintiffs agree that Defendants foregoing moving for a protective order to

clawback D001073022 does not constitute a waiver of A/C privilege, attorney work product, or deliberative process privilege with respect to other documents and information? If Plaintiffs will agree to that in writing over email, I think Defendants can avoid moving for a protective order, and we can move past this issue and cancel today's meet-and-confer.

Phil

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